## Holy Ancestry

## Matthew 1:1-17

## **PODS Small Groups Discussion Questions**

- 1. Who is an interesting character from your family ancestry? Why?
- 2. What stood out to you, challenged you, or encouraged you from the Sunday sermon?
- 3. What is a name that stands out to you in the genealogy? Why?
- 4. Why do you think the gospel writers found it important to inform their audience of the ancestry of Jesus?
- 5. The genealogy authenticates Jesus as Messiah and shows how the life of Jesus fulfills Messianic prophecies. How does this strengthen your faith and your boldness to share the gospel?
- 6. How does the genealogy of Jesus show that salvation is for all people? How does that impact your relationship with Jesus and with those who don't know Jesus?
- 7. Who did God use in your spiritual lineage to influence your relationship with Jesus? What difference did this person make in your life?
- 8. How does this passage speak specifically to your life? What will you do as a result?

## Prayer time:

Pray for the people in your spiritual lineage, thanking God that He placed them in your life. Also pray for your future opportunities to influence others for the gospel.